



KNOXVILLE COLLEGE, KNOXVILLE, TENN.

The college property of seventy-five acres, on which stand ten buildings valued at \$125,000, is located just west of the city line of Knoxville. Rev. Ralph W. McGranahan, D.D., is president. The Bible is a daily text-book in all departments of the school. There is no high-grade school for Negroes nearer than two hundred miles of Knoxville. The school owns a farm of ninety acres, in charge of the Agricultural Department.

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Rev. Ralph W. McGranahan, D.D., President

KNOXVILLE COLLEGE is the leading institution of the United Presbyterian Church for colored youth.

While it dates its history from 1875, yet it is the result of a movement that began in Nashville among the refugees while the war was in progress. This work was under the direction of Rev. Joseph G. McKee, and the "McKee School," which he founded, was the pioneer in that important field which has since become such an educational center. The building was erected in war times and at war prices, and it served for about ten years to accommodate a great multitude of children who received their first impulse toward an education within its walls.

When it became necessary to consider a new building, a committee was appointed in 1872 to survey the whole field, and Knoxville was selected as the place for a normal school and college, with the design of concentrating effort upon it. Rev.

J. P. Wright was chosen superintendent of the school, which opened in September, 1875. Rev. J. S. McCulloch, D.D., was elected president in 1877, and continued until July, 1899, when Rev. Ralph W. McGranahan, D.D., the present incumbent, entered upon his work.

The college is located just outside the city limits of Knoxville on a site which gives a commanding view of the city and surrounding country. The campus is beautifully shaded with oak, maple and cedar trees, making it a beautiful and healthful location.

It is claimed that the sentiment between the races at Knoxville is the most liberal of any place in the South. Situated in the foot-hills of the Appalachian system, the mountain spirit of freedom pervades the entire section. The degree of thrift of the colored people, together with the commercial enterprise of the city and community, all add their parts to making it a desirable place for students to receive their education.

The college property consists of seventy-five acres on which stand fifteen buildings. The property is valued at \$175,000. From the beginning much attention has been given to the